

## The State of New Hampshire

## Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin Commissioner

November 1, 2005

LETTER OF CLOSURE for LETTER OF DEFICIENCY# WSEB 05-165

Doris Adler Tamarack Trials Camping Area PO Box 24 77 Dodge Hollow Road Lempster, NH 03605-0024

Subject: Lempster - Public Water System: Tamarack Trails Camping Park (EPA# 1347020)

Dear Ms. Adler:

The Department of Environmental Services (DES) is in receipt of your letter, dated October 16, 2005, which was accompanied by supporting documentation. Your letter references Letter of Deficiency# WSEB 05-165 (LOD) that was issued in response to the bacterial maximum contaminant level violation that occurred at the Tamarack Trails Camping Park in September 2005. The LOD requested that you retain a consultant to address the bacteria contamination issues, forward a copy of the consultant's report to DES, and submit to DES a schedule by which the consultant's recommendations would be implemented.

Your detailed letter provides strong evidence that the September 2005 bacteria contamination of the Camping Park's drinking water was caused by an insufficient chlorination following the replacement of the well pump, piping, and wires on August 31, 2005. As such, most consultants would have recommended another chlorination of the system, with particular emphasis on ensuring that chlorinated water remained in the system long enough to "kill" the bacteria. Your consultation with Robert Lucas, a licensed pump installer, and your apparent successful chlorination of the system following Mr. Lucas' instructions, serve essentially the same functions as the actions requested in the LOD. Five water samples taken subsequent to the second chlorination all showed the absence of total coliform bacteria.

It is DES' understanding that the Camping Park is now (or is about to be) closed for the season. In light of the above, DES believes you have taken reasonable steps to address the bacteria contamination your system experienced in September 2005. Therefore, Letter of Deficiency# WSEB 05-165 is considered closed.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Alan Leach by phone at (603) 271-2854, or by e-mail at aleach@des.state.nh.us. I can be reached by phone at (603) 271-1168, or by e-mail at spillsbury@des.state.nh.us.

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